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The relevance of the submitted Japanese reference is that it appears to disclose a coating containing zinc and chromium compounds.

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